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MARGINAL COLUMN

By ARTHUR SAUL SUPER

TOWARDS the end of May a strange and exciting book by the famous French biologist, Jean Rostand, will be published by Basic Books of New York. It is entitled "Can Man be Modified?" The argument of the book begins with the assertion that the human being of today does not differ essentially from his forbear who lived in caves in the Quaternary Age about 100,000 years ago. Nothing that has happened since that far off time has changed the morphological or physiological outfit of the species. "The enormous difference which nonetheless exists between the ancient flint chipper and his modern heir is entirely the work of civilization — that is, of the culture gradually accumulated and transmitted by social tradition."

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ROSTAND argues as follows: "Already at the beginning of the species, man was equal to what he was destined to become. He carried with him, potentially, all the things that were destined gradually to expand and fructify in industry, in technical skill, in science, in art, in philosophy and in religion. So much so that if, by some miracle, it were possible to fetch a newborn child of that past age into our own time and bring him up and educate him as one of ours, he would become a man exactly like us; a man whom nothing, either in his appearance or in his conduct or in his private thoughts, would single out as a stranger among us, as a ghost from the past."

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THE writer, in an excerpt from the book published in the "Saturday Evening Post," goes on to state that it might be possible by biological methods, by surgical or chemical means to produce a "better individual, a sort of superman; this would be no more than a somatic superhumanization, with no effect on the potentialities of the germ cells. If this superman were to procreate, even if he did so with a superwoman produced by the same methods, the two together would merely produce ordinary human beings, to whom the same super-humanizing treatment would have to be applied, starting from the beginning; in fact, there is no transmission of characteristics acquired by the individual."

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ROSTAND's thesis opens new avenues of thought on the vexed question of "Who or what is a Jew?" The subject is still a topic of animated and often heated discussion across this continent and has now become one for abstract argument and debate often divorced entirely from the Israel context in which it began. If sheer physical heredity, the accident of birth of the mother, is what determines if one is a Jew, then this should hardly be decisive when we take the scientific view that such heredity has not changed the whole human species over hundreds of millenia of its development. Yet birth is accepted by the *halakha*, or Rabbinic law, as sufficient to determine Jewishness. If one's mother was a Jewess, the child is a Jew irrespective of any acquired characteristics; cultural or otherwise. One could even state an extreme case, as say that even if one of these acquired characteristics were the adoption of another religion, the determinant of Jewish birth would always be a factor enabling the apostate to relent and be accepted as Jewish again. On the other hand, if Rostand's theory is correct—that two human beings, even when submitted to the same superhumanizing treatment, would not transmit characteristics and their child would have to start again from the beginning—what intrinsic value is there in just taking birth as the basic determinant in Who is a Jew?

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HALAKHA is conveniently ambivalent on this point. It holds that anyone, even if not born from a Jewish mother, can, after undergoing certain formalities, be accepted as a Jew. In that case he becomes as though he were newly born. He or she skips all the millennia of heredity and is dubbed "Abraham the son of our ancestor Abraham" or "Ruth" or "Sara," the daughter of our ancestor Abraham." This is in strict parallel with Rostand's assertion that the enormous difference between the flint chipper and his modern heir is entirely the result of the "culture... accumulated and transmitted by social tradition." It is like the fate of the newborn babe he mentions who could be introduced without detection from the Quaternary Age into our modern world. It tempts one to assert that he is a Jew who thinks that he is one and that one can even think himself into being a Jew acceptable to Rabbinic definition.

Saskatchewan, May 24.

MINE KILLS SYRIAN ON TURKISH BORDER

Syrian officials claimed that one Syrian was killed and three others wounded on Tuesday night by a land mine near the Turkish border, Beirut Radio reported yesterday.

B-G: We Must Be Four Million To Be Secure

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel must double her population before she can really feel secure, Prime Minister Ben-Gurion told the B'nai B'rith Triennial Convention meeting at the Hebrew University amphitheatre in Jerusalem last night. "I cannot yet say that we are safe... Our future safety depends on three things. The most important is *aliya*," he said. The other factors were:

the excellence of our arms, and winning more friends.

"Happily we are succeeding," he said of the last. He spoke of the U.S. as "our great and faithful friend from the beginning." He spoke of the friendship with France, and the improved relations with Britain, as well as new friends in Asia and Africa.

"Our main support will always be the Jewish People," said the Prime Minister. In view of this, unity of the Jewish People was of prime importance. Mr. Ben-Gurion said that while religion was the main cohesive force before the State was created, and "still remains a great factor," the State of Israel now "unites all the Jewish People throughout the world."

Three Pillars

The Prime Minister offered three pillars on which the Jewish Community must stand:

1) **Messianic hope in the Jewish redemption;**
2) **Hebrew education ("No Jew can really be a Jew without knowing the Bible and knowing it in its original language;**
3) **Personal links with Israel.**

The Prime Minister shied away from arguing the question of immigration from the U.S., a subject which had been brought up by President Philip Klutznick at the opening of the convention.

"I refuse to argue with Zionists in America or with B'nai B'rith... Rather I am trying to discover what unites us," Mr. Ben-Gurion said. But he could not refrain from saying later that some thousands have come from the U.S., but not as many as I would like."

He was certain that what happened to the Jews in Europe "will never happen in America." But there was a danger because of a lack of Jewishness, because of its minority status, and because of its economic status that Judaism in America will feel the "kiss of death." The only way to avert it is to strengthen the links with Israel, he said.

He urged, even pleaded with his audience to send their children to Israel in order to establish the link. He asked businessmen to invest, and brought laughter from a predominantly businessman's audience when he said simply, "I want American Jews to make money in Israel."

Humanitarianism Medal

Before his address he was presented by President Klutznick with the B'nai B'rith President's Medal for Humanitarianism.

In return the Prime Minister gave Mr. Klutznick, in the name of the Government and People of Israel to "one of the most devoted Jews in our time" a huge silver filigree goblet. Mr. Klutznick, who retires today as B'nai B'rith President, also received a Scroll of the Law from the Order.

In another ceremony, the mortgage deed on B'nai B'rith's new paid-up $1.5m. building in Washington, D.C. was burned in an urn on the stage. Symbolically the estimated 1,500 delegates and guests in the audience lit small candles.

The night's programme was opened with a well-received and well-executed performance by Inbal, accompanied by the Beit Hillel choir and the Hebrew University orchestra.

Chairman of the evening was Mr. Frank Goldman, a former President of the Order.

The return of the B'nai B'rith movement to West Germany was reported at the morning session by Dr. Edwin Guggenheim of Zurich, President of B'nai B'rith's district for continental Europe. He said that a new lodge in West Berlin had been granted a charter and was in the process of formation.



Lebanese **Air Force Savoya Marchetti plane seen here at Haifa Airport where it was forced to land by the Israel Air Force after it had intruded into Israel air space in the Hula region on Wednesday morning.**

IAF Forces Down Lebanese Reconnaissance Intruder

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

TEL AVIV.—Israel Air Force Mystere IV jet fighters on Wednesday morning intercepted a Lebanese military aircraft flying over Kibbutz Ayelet Hashahar, in Upper Galilee, and forced it to land at the Haifa civil airport.

The three-engined Italian-type Savoya Marchetti (S.M. 79) light bomber carried a five-man crew and aerial photography equipment. Films found aboard the plane were developed and showed that photographs of Israel territory had been taken.

The Israel delegation to the Israel-Lebanese Armistice Commission requested an emergency meeting of the M.A.C. which is taking place at 10.30 this morning (Thursday) at Rosh Hanikra.

The fighters, which intercepted the intruder at 9.35 a.m., instructed the Lebanese pilot to land, but when he apparently disregarded the order, a few warning bursts were fired. The Lebanese aircraft then headed for Haifa. The crew were questioned at length by Israel security personnel, and were placed in detention.

The Savoya Marchetti aircraft is of pre-World War Two vintage, and is of the type used by the Italians as a "heavy bomber" in the Abyssinian war.

Wednesday's incident followed a series of high altitude flights early this year over Upper Galilee by aircraft apparently carrying out aerial photography, and flights by U.A.R. aircraft deep into Israel airspace over the Southern part of the country. Last week a Lebanese civil aircraft carrying U.N.E.F. troops from El Arish to Beirut was forced to land at Lydda airport after being intercepted 10 miles off Zichron Ya'acov.

Beirut Radio quoting an official announcement from the Lebanese Ministry of National Defence, said four Israeli military aircraft had intercepted a Lebanese plane taking aerial photographs several kilometres inside Lebanese territory. The Israel planes opened fire and forced the aircraft to land inside Israel, the communique added.

MEIR TO URUGUAY

MONTEVIDEO (UPI).—The Israel Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, is scheduled to arrive here on Thursday (today) from Buenos Aires.

She will be the guest of the Government.

During her stay she is expected to conclude a trade treaty between Israel and Uruguay.

Japanese Offer $ 5m. To Expand Timna

POST Economic Reporter

An offer to finance the expansion of the Timna Copper Works and to purchase part of the increased production of copper cement has been submitted by a Japanese firm to the Ministry of Development, it was reliably learned in Jerusalem on Wednesday.

It is understood that the Japanese proposal — involving an investment of $5m. — is the fruit of the recent visit to Japan of Mr. M. Bentov, Minister of Development. According to the proposal, the Japanese firm (whose name was not revealed) would supply the Timna works with equipment to expand production. It will also contract to purchase the plant's entire output of copper cement at fixed prices for a number of years.

A representative of the Japanese firm is expected in Israel inside of a few weeks, to continue the negotiations.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Nina Dmitrieva, 35-year-old wife of the Assistant Naval Attaché at the Soviet Embassy in London, has applied for political asylum in Britain, the Home Office said Wednesday night. (Earlier story, Page 3, Col. 7)

Knesset Body Discusses Suez

POST Diplomatic Correspondent

The Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee met on Wednesday with Prime Minister Ben-Gurion and Mr. Walter Eytan, the Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, to discuss the detention by Cairo of the Danish freighter, Inge Toft, and the reported seizure of its Israel cargo.

Up to late Wednesday evening neither the Foreign Ministry nor the shipping agents in Haifa had any official news of the fate of the vessel or its cargo. Although a week has already passed since the Inge Toft was detained by U.A.R. authorities at the entrance to the Suez Canal, the crew has still been denied the right to communicate with either the owners or agents.

Political quarters in Jerusalem are understood to be exploring the possibility of securing the support of a majority of the members of the Security Council for the convening of a special session of the U.N. General Assembly to consider the repeated U.A.R. violations of the international right of free passage through the canal. Since a Security Council decision against the U.A.R. might evoke a Soviet veto, it is thought that it might be more effective to refer the matter to the Assembly.

Veto Inoperative

A Council decision on the summoning of a special session of the Assembly is a procedural matter and is therefore not subject to the veto.

During the past week there has been close contact, both in Jerusalem and in foreign capitals, with diplomatic representatives of countries which are members of the Security Council.

It was reliably learned in Jerusalem that the U.A.R. has sold 7,000 tons of Israel cement to Hong Kong merchants.

The cement was part of the cargo on board the Liberian ship Capetan Manolis and the German ship Lealott, which was seized last March by the Cairo Government. It is learned that the Egyptians re-packed the cement and offered it at reduced prices. The U.N. Secretariat has repeatedly appealed to the U.A.R. to return the cargo of the two vessels.

Cairo Radio, in its Hebrew broadcast, claimed that the Israel-Egyptian Mixed Armistice Commission (on which Israel is not represented) met on Wednesday to consider the Israel seizure of the Egyptian vessel which was on its way to Beirut.

The Radio added that the M.A.C. decided to send a delegation to Haifa to investigate.

GENERAL STRIKE CALL IN SPAIN

MADRID (AFP). — Leaflets have appeared in Madrid calling for a general strike on June 1, according to unverified reports.

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- **Arthur Koestler in Tokyo**
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Claim on Bulgars Unaffected By Hague Ruling

THE HAGUE (Reuter). — The Israel Embassy on Wednesday issued a statement by Mr. Shabtai Rosenne (Israel agent in the dispute with Bulgaria on which the International Court gave a ruling on Tuesday) saying that Israel's claim for damages for the aircraft shot down in 1955 remained "entirely unaffected."

Israel is claiming damages totalling $2,658,144 for the loss of life and property when Bulgaria shot down an El Al airliner over Bulgarian territory in July 1955, killing 58 persons.

The Court ruled on Tuesday by 12 votes to four that it had no jurisdiction in the dispute. Mr. Rosenne, who is Legal Adviser to the Foreign Ministry, said in his statement:

"While the judgment will require the most careful consideration, we are of course sorry that the Court has not upheld its jurisdiction in this case.

"However, even without a full study of the judgment, I can say this. The argument which has just taken place, and which is settled by the Court's judgment, dealt with technical legal matters and did not involve any discussion whatever of the merits of the case, with which it was not concerned.

"In my pleading I pointed out that, should the Bulgarian objections be upheld, our claim would remain entirely unaffected and I asked the Bulgarian representatives how they proposed settling the claim if their objections would be upheld. They replied that they saw possibilities of settling it and emphasised — and this is on the record of the Court — that they wanted to continue their efforts to reach an amicable solution.

"After we have studied the judgment with all the necessary care, we shall be able to see in what direction these further efforts can be pursued."

French Chase Rebel Band into Tunisia

ALGERIA. — French troops, using the right of 'pursuit, on Tuesday punished an Algerian rebel band inside Tunisian territory after losing six men killed and 11 wounded in an insurgent attack a kilometre inside the Algerian border, an army communique announced yesterday.

It said that a French unit was violently attacked while on operations on the Algerian side of the frontier, west of the iron mining centre of Ouenza.

French reinforcements were then sent to the spot and, "using the right of pursuit, penetrated into Tunisia to a depth of one kilometre to take the attackers from behind," the communique said.

The rebels later withdrew eastwards, leaving 32 dead on the battlefield. *(Reuter, AFP)*

Ambassador Tsur Takes Leave of De Gaulle

By MAURICE CARR

PARIS. — The Israel Ambassador, Mr. Ya'acov Tsur, who is shortly relinquishing his post here, took leave of President de Gaulle on Wednesday at a 45-minute meeting which, it is understood, was "extremely cordial."

General de Gaulle expressed regret, both personally and in the name of France, at the Israel envoy's imminent departure.

Although the meeting was intended to be of a courtesy nature, it appears that political matters, notably Franco-Israel relations and the Middle East situation, were also discussed. Mr. Tsur came away "most satisfied."

Ike Seeing Geneva Conferees; Air Parley May Break Deadlock

Peking Leader Due in Albania; Khrushchev Warns Greece

BELGRADE (Reuter).—Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev, accompanied by Albanian leaders, arrived on Wednesday in Scutari, on the Yugoslav border, and spoke at a mass meeting in the main square of the town.

At the same time, a surprise announcement said the Chinese Defence Minister, Marshal Pen Teh-huai, would visit Albania today, staying six days. He is leading a goodwill mission which has been touring Eastern Europe since mid-April and has visited Warsaw, Berlin, Budapest, Bucharest and Sofia.

Marshal Pen's impending arrival in Tirana during the Soviet Prime Minister's 12-day stay prompted speculation among diplomats in Belgrade that it was probably intended to underline Soviet proposals for a new role for Albania in Communist military planning.

Mr. Khrushchev has called for creation of a Balkan "peninsula of peace," free of rockets and atomic weapons, which might lead to further atom-free areas.

He warned Greece and Italy, however, in a speech on Tuesday which TASS, the Soviet news agency, reported yesterday.

At Short Range

"The Americans are placing intermediate-range rockets in Italy. But intermediate or even short-range rockets, if placed in Albania, could blanket all of Italy, and the same thing could be said about Greece."

Speculation on a possible meeting between Mr. Khrushchev and President Tito was reported abroad when the Soviet leader's visit to Albania was first announced. Scutari is on a lake of the same name, part of which is in Yugoslavia.

There is virtually no traffic now across the Yugoslav-Albanian border, which has been closely guarded on both sides since the Soviet bloc launched a new anti-Yugoslav campaign last year. Albania has played a big role in the campaign.

The Yugoslav Government has alleged that Albania has recently sent spies and saboteurs across the mountains.

Yemen C-o-S Sacked

The Yemen's army chief-of-staff, General Ali Biz Ibrahim, has been dismissed as part of a large-scale Government reshuffle, the Old City daily "Falastin" reported yesterday, quoting San'a radio.

The Yemen Defence Minister, Crown Prince Mohammed el Badr, has appointed Abdul Kader Abu Taleb as the new acting chief-of-staff.

A number of "traitors" who took part in the recent attempted coup in Yemen have been shot, the "Falastin" report added.

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Athens Won't Take Advice or Threats

ATHENS (Reuter). — Foreign Minister Evangelos Averoff stated on Wednesday that the question of establishing ballistic missile bases in Greece was not discussed with Mr. Duncan Sandys, British Defence Minister, who is visiting Greece.

He added: "The question has not yet been decided by the Greek Government. A decision will be reached by the Greek Government alone after consultations with the military authorities and with the interest of the country as the sole criterion.

"We shall accept neither advice of friendly governments nor menaces. Threats may have the opposite effects because this is our character. Greece is too small and too poor a country to be able to submit to advice or to threats."

Mr. Averoff, who was addressing foreign correspondents at a luncheon in honour of Mr. Sandys, was understood to be referring to Tuesday's speech by Soviet Premier Khrushchev at Tirana. (See next column).

When Mr. Sandys was asked about Mr. Khrushchev's speech, he said: "Any threat directed against any member of Nato is directed against us all."

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Hope in Informal Contacts

WASHINGTON (Reuter).—President Eisenhower is to confer this morning (Thursday) on the Geneva negotiations on Berlin and Germany, the White House announced on Wednesday.

The brief announcement said that Mr. Christian Herter, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, M. Maurice Couve de Murville and Mr. Andrei Gromyko would all attend.

The President's meeting with the Foreign Ministers will precede a luncheon he is giving for the foreign dignitaries who have come here to attend the funeral of John Foster Dulles.

The White House spokesman acknowledged in answer to a question that the meeting would deal with the Geneva negotiations, but he provided no additional information.

The four Ministers are due to fly back to Geneva later in the day in the U.S. Secretary of State's private plane to resume their talks.

Diplomatic sources said that "in essence" the confidential part of the Geneva talks would begin during the trip.

Some observers believed that the trip, plus the other informal contacts the Ministers are expected to have had in Washington over Wednesday and Thursday, might lead to a "break" in the present Berlin stalemate.

Konrad Adenauer, the West German Chancellor, who is also here for the funeral, said after a call on President Eisenhower that he believed "something" would come out of the Geneva conference on Berlin and Germany.

World's Diplomats At Dulles' Funeral

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The U.S. and the world on Wednesday paid last respects to John Foster Dulles as diplomats from around the globe joined President Eisenhower in a funeral service which packed the great Washington Cathedral to capacity.

They gathered in the vaulted sanctuary of the Cathedral to participate in the simple rites of the Presbyterian Church, of which the former Secretary of State was an Elder.

From the Cathedral the body was borne to a grave in Arlington National Cemetery, a few miles away, where a 19-gun salute was fired and "taps" was sounded.

Distinguished Mourners

All of the 2,818 seats in the vast Gothic cathedral were reserved. There were Chancellor Adenauer of West Germany, Australian Prime Minister Robert Menzies, U.N. Secretary-General Hammarskjold, and numerous Foreign Ministers, including the four participants in the current Geneva East-West conference.

At the request of the Dulles family, there was no sermon or eulogy. There were prayers, readings from the Bible and the New Testament, hymns, and a reading from Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress."

U.S. House Unit Passes Aid Bill

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The House Foreign Affairs Committee late Tuesday night approved a bill carrying a total of $3,642.6m. for military, economic and technical aid for the free world next year.

The total is only $266.8m. smaller than requested by President Eisenhower. It represents a major victory for the Administration in a Committee which normally makes much heavier cuts in foreign aid requests.

The total includes $1,440m. in military aid, a cut of $160m. and $750m. in defence support, a cut of $85m.

Other cuts came in the categories of special assistance, where $21.8m. was cut, leaving a total of $250m. and in the President's contingency fund, which was cut from $200m. to $100m.

Offsetting part of this reduction, however, the Committee voted to add $100m. for the Development Loan Fund for next year, bringing the new total for that agency to $800m. The President had asked for only $700m.

No changes were made in the request for technical assistance — $179.5m. or in the numerous special programmes, such as those for refugees, and children's fund, and administration.

Committee Chairman Thomas Morgan told reporters that the Committee made no attempt to designate in the bill regions where the cuts should be applied. It had earlier been rumoured, for example, that several members were supporting a move to eliminate military aid to Latin America.

C. D. accorded enthusiastic welcome

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(Advt.)

Uranium on Mount Carmel?

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(Advt.)

'Der Tag' Comes and Goes

BERLIN (Reuter). — West Berlin's 2,500,000 citizens went about their business as usual yesterday—the day originally set by the Soviet Union for handing over its powers in Berlin to East Germany.

In a note to the Western Powers last November 27, Russia set May 27 for the hand-over of its powers unless they negotiated within the intervening six months on measures to "liquidate the occupation regime" in Berlin.

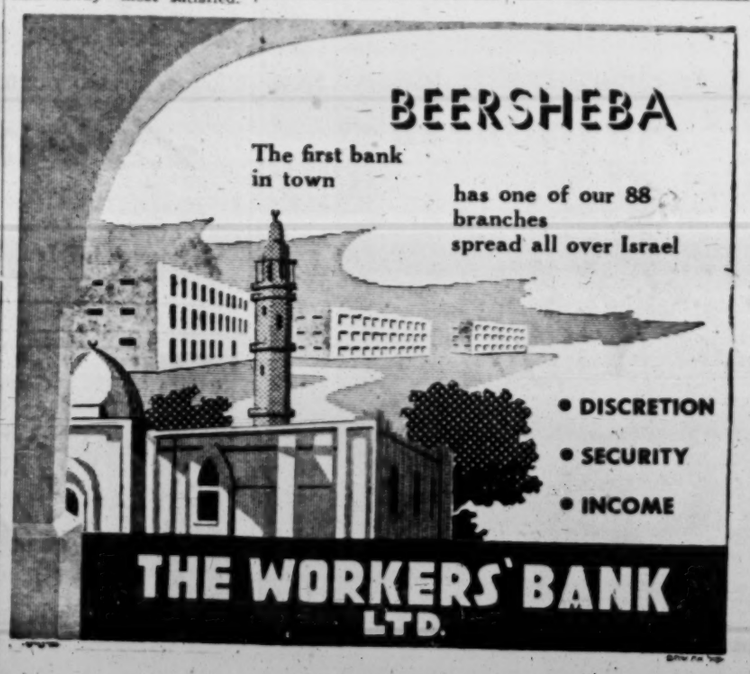
The question is now before the Geneva Conference, so most people believe there is no longer any "ultimatum."

Yesterday morning Russian soldiers were still on duty at the check-points on the main roads running from West Berlin to West Germany, through East Germany.

Russian representatives were also at work at the Four-Power Air Safety Centre.

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Social & Personal

The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, on Tuesday received Mr. Simon Mirelman, Honorary Chairman of the Israel Bond Campaign in Argentina, and Mrs. Mirelman.

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The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Pinhas Sapir, on Tuesday recieved the Deputy Chairman of the Board of Barclay's Bank, D.C.O. in London, Mr. Frederick Seebohm, who was accompanied by Barclay's manager in Israel, Mr. A.E. Ambrose. A reception in honour of Mr. Seebohm was given yesterday by Mr. Ambrose at his home in Jerusalem. Present were the Governor of the Bank of Israel; Justices of the Supreme Court; the Directors-General of the Ministries of Finance and Commerce and Industry; the Accountant-General; the District Representative; the Netherlands Ambassador; the British Consul-General and Consul; the French Consul General; the President of the Chamber of Commerce; and leading men in finance and business circles.

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The Minister for Religious Affairs, Rabbi Toledano, will speak on "The Foundations of Judaism" at the weekly meeting of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club at ZOA House, Tel Aviv, today at 1.15 pm.

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Owing to the absence abroad of Mr. Michael Comay, his lecture to the Israel and British Commonwealth Association on "The Job of an Israel Diplomat" scheduled for tonight, May 28, will not take place.

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Mr. M. Silverstone, Legal Adviser to the Ministry of the Interior, will lecture on: "The U.N. Conference on the Elimination or Reduction of Statelessness" under the auspices of the Israel branch of the International Law Association, and the Staff Committee of the Government's Legal Service; this evening at 8.30 at Beit Hillel, Jerusalem.

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A benefit concert of music by Purcell and Handel will be given at the Y.M.C.A. tonight at 8.30 under the sponsorship of the Y.M.C.A. and the British Council. Tickets at IL1.500 are obtainable at the door. Proceeds will go to the Alyn Society for Crippled Children, Katamon, Jerusalem.

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Mr. Stuart Hampshire, Fellow of All Souls College, Oxford, will lecture on, "Limits of Politics" under the auspices of the Hebrew University, this evening at 7.15 p.m. in the Abraham Mazer Bldg. on the University campus.

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Miss Peggy van Pragh, dance instructor of the Royal Festival Ballet, London attended a ballet class at the Klara Landau-Bondy Studio on Tuesday afternoon.

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post May 28, 1959

In the Supreme Court Sitting as Court of Criminal Appeals

Before Justices Agranat, Sussman and Landau.

The Development Authority, Appellant, v. The Attorney General, Respondent (Cr.A. 134/58).

Development Authority Must Construct Shelters

The Supreme Court dismissed an appeal against a judgment of the Haifa District Court, delivered on May 22, 1958 (in Cr.A. 91/58).

The appellants, the Development Authority, were charged with contravening the provisions of the Civil Defence Law in that they had failed to construct air-raid shelters in buildings owned by them in Rehov Herzliya, Haifa, within such time and in such place as prescribed by the Mayor.

Their representative claimed in the Magistrate's Court that they were exempt from the duties imposed by the Civil Defence Law by virtue of section 42 of the Interpretation Ordinance which lays down that:

"Save as may be otherwise expressly provided no enactment shall affect any right of, or impose any obligation upon the State."

The Magistrate, after criticizing the attitude of the Development Authority and expressing his extreme dissatisfaction at the fact that their failure to fulfill the obligations imposed by the Civil Defence Law would leave part of the population without protection from air raids, nevertheless accepted the plea of immunity and acquitted them.

The Attorney General appealed to the Haifa District Court which reversed the decision of the Magistrate's Court with regard to the Development Authority's immunity under section 42 of the Interpretation Ordinance and returned the case to the lower court for trial.

The Development Authority thereupon appealed against this decision to the Supreme Court. Mr. S. Dori appeared for the appellants, and Mr. C. Gillon, the State Attorney, assisted by Mr. M. Rimmel, appeared for the Attorney General.

Judgment

Justice Landau, who delivered the judgment of the Supreme Court, Justices Agranat and Sussman concurring, expressed agreement with the Magistrate Court's criticism of the appellants' attitude. Whatever the legal position might be, he said, he was amazed that the appellants should claim to be exempt from the duties imposed by the Civil Defence Law, for he would have expected a public authority, which owns so much property in the State, to set an example to the rest of the population and not attempt to wriggle out of fulfilling a vital duty affecting the safety of the public.

Justice Landau then went on to discuss the characteristics of the Development Authority in order to decide whether it is part and parcel of the State — and thus not subject to the provisions of the Civil Defence Law. After referring to the relevant sections of the Development Authority (Transfer Of Property) Law, 1950, under which the Development Authority was constituted, he concluded that it is a public corporation, whose general task it is to develop the country. The immediate aim behind the enactment of the law was, however, he continued, the desire to create a body which would not be bound by such restrictions with regard to the transfer of property as are contained in the Absentees' Property Law and other laws.

Turning next to the question of whether a public corporation of this nature is part of the State or not, Justice Landau, after reference to local and English precedents, pointed out that the answer to this question centres on whether the Development Authority by virtue of its organisational structure is one of those organs of the State which constitute its governing apparatus or not. (see H.C. 194/56, P.D. 11/859). In his opinion, he continued, the very fact that the organisational structure of a body is that of a separate autonomous legal person is proof positive of its independence of the government apparatus for purposes of section 42 of the Interpretation Ordinance and a public corporation is most certainly a separate autonomous legal person. The Development Authority, he continued, as a public corporation, is a legal person independent of the apparatus of government and, what is more, was deliberately made so by law. The conclusion to be drawn, therefore, is that the Development Authority, although it performs certain state functions, does not enjoy the immunity conferred on the state itself and on its various organs by section 42. And if the legislators had wished to confer this immunity, they should have done so expressly in the law creating the Authority. (See also Tamlin v. Hannaford, 1949, 2 All.E.R. 327).

Justice Landau then went on to back up this conclusion by the application of another test used in English jurisprudence: the measure of control exercised over the legal body by the state. He concluded that the only control exercised is a negative one by way of refusal to confirm the authorities' actions or by restricting its budget, but that there is no state institution which has any direct legal control over the Authority.

Furthermore, he continued, in the law itself there are various indications that the legislator has not identified the authority with state institutions, as, for example, the fact that it is authorized to sell land to the State.

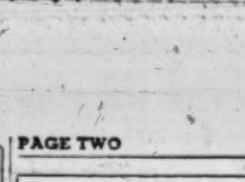
In conclusion Justice Landau dismissed Mr. Dori's attempts to rely on C.A. 55/49 (P.D. 5/118) on the grounds that it is irrelevant to the issue in the present case, and went on to deal summarily with Mr. Dori's contention that the appellants cannot in any case be brought to trial for not building shelters as they have no allocation in their budget for this purpose. This argument, he said, is unacceptable because the authorities in charge of appropriating funds for the Development Authority must ensure that they have sufficient money to meet those legal obligations imposed equally on them by the Civil Defence Law as on every other landlord in the State.

Appeal dismissed.

Judgment given on May 17, 1960.

A GIFT of IL350,000, given to Bar Ilan University this week by Mr. Maurice Pollack of Quebec City, Canada, will be used to put up a housing estate for faculty members, the University has announced.

IT'S THE LAW



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VISITORS' GALLERY: B'NAI B'RITH LEADERS

Two Candidates for President

Barring the entry of a last minute "dark horse," there will be two main contenders in the elections for the presidency of B'nai B'rith to be held in Jerusalem today.

The first is Mr. Label A. Katz, of New Orleans. The second is Mr. Herman Fineberg, of Pittsburgh.

There may be other contenders, the so-called "dark horses" whose names will be known only at the last moment when any delegate to the triennial convention may rise to make a nomination from the floor.

But so far, only Mr. Katz and Mr. Fineberg have publicly announced their candidacy and have begun the delicate behind-the-scenes work — mainly through friends — of lining up votes, since there are no political factions in the organization.

Both men have quite different personalities.

Mr. Katz is fair and lean, with the introspective and analytic mind of a scholar. He reads books of history and philosophy for relaxation. He has a considerable knowledge of Jewish history and problems, and speaks Hebrew, if slowly, because he has had little practice.

Mr. Fineberg has a ready smile, which extends to his green eyes, and the hearty handclasp of the rough-and-ready extrovert. He has an olive complexion, and the body of a prizefighter putting on weight. Indeed, on his way to school as a child he used to carry a brick in one hand, his books in the other. The neighbourhood was infested with gangs which attacked him and his Jewish friends—because they were Jews. He used the brick and thought if this might not have been according to the rules of the Marquis of Queensberry, it was highly effective.



LABEL KATZ



HERMAN FINEBERG

Mr. Katz answers questions slowly, often stopping to search for the exact nuance or word, the specific phrase, to put his meaning across exactly the first time.

Mr. Fineberg answers in a gush of words — and then goes back to correct any false impression that he might have created.

Mr. Katz, whose black hair is untouched by grey, looks his 40 years. Mr. Fineberg, who is 51, and as befits his age, has slight streaks of grey invading his glossy black hair and small moustache, certainly neither looks nor acts like a grandfather.

Yet, there are many points of similarity. Both:

- **had their respective B'nai B'rith districts which cover lodges in several states,**
- **believe in observing traditional religious practices,**
- **say they have no political ambitions,**
- **visited Israel for the first time in 1954,**
- **have been extremely active since early youth in Jewish communal affairs. Their activities fill a couple of inches in the Jewish Who's Who;**

And, most important, both are very well off, a prime requisite for the presidency which is not only a non-paid job, but one which also eats up enormous quantities of vital time and energy. In effect, this means that their businesses will have to run themselves, if they are elected, for the next three years. And both are ready to stand for re-election for another three years.

Yet, their greatest similarities are in their basic approaches to B'nei B'rith affairs.

Question: Do you have any intention of turning B'nai B'rith (many of whose members, including the two candidates are Zionists) into a Zionist organization?

Answer: I have no intention of doing this. (Both answered in almost identical phrasing, but in separate interviews.)

And both added that vis-à-vis Bn'ai B'rith hold a singular position, and that the organization considered it to be its duty to extend generous help to Israel.

Mr. Katz added that "it is of the utmost importance to help Israel grow, prosper and develop, so it can make its contribution not only to Jewish life but also to civilization."

Mr. Fineberg added that "B'nai B'rith will always have a greater interest in Israel than in any other Jewish community, for Israel is more than a community. It is the unique home of the Jewish people."

Neither candidate intends to emigrate to Israel.

Question: What do you think of Israel?

Mr. Katz: "I have been deeply impressed by the indomitable spirit of the Jewish People, of Israel's development not only economically, but also spiritually, culturally and religiously."

Mr. Fineberg: "It is one of the greatest democracies in the world. A people with determination must get ahead, will get ahead."

As for B'nai B'rith work in America, both intend to intensify and expand existing programmes along the lines of the work of the past presidents.

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ZION: Armored Attack (The North Star).
TFL OR: Les amants.
EDISON: Toi, le venin.
STUDIO: Rear Window.

TEL AVIV

3.30, 7.15, 9.15

ALLENBY: Dance, Love, 1,000 Songs.
ARMON DAVID: Fortunella.
CHEN: Vertigo.
EDEN: Nights of Love.
ESTHER: Merry Andrew.
HOD: Souvenirs d'Italie.
GAN RENA: The Killing.
GAT: Jet Pilot.
MAXIM: La Jliegitima.
MIGDALOR: Es geschah am hellichten Tag.
MOGRABI: The Two-Headed Spy.
OPHIR: The Black Orchid.
ORION: Separate Tables.
PARIS: Island in the Sun.
PEER: The Girl Most Likely.
SHDEROTH: The Teahouse of the August Moon.
TAMAR: While the City Sleeps.
TCHELET: I Accuse.
TFL AVIV: Compulsion.
YAROV'S: Never Steal Anything Small.
ZAFON: Ein Lied geht um die Welt.
ZAMIR: The Quiet American.

HAIFA

3.30, 6.45, 9.

ATZMON: Tea and Sympathy.
MIRON: Proud Rebel.
GAL OR: Waterloo Bridge.
PEER: Bonjour Tristesse.
ORION: The Decks Ran Red.
ARMON: Le miroir a deux faces.
EN DOR: The Conqueror.
ORLY: La Parisienne.
AMPHITHEATRE: The Sound and the Fury.
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HAIFA: Rashi, 26 Bar Giora, 68266.

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LYDDA FLIGHTS

THURSDAY

ARRIVALS: El Al 102, from Johannesburg, Leopoldville and Kano, 0930; Air France 129, from Teheran, 1430; El Al 206, from N.Y., London and Brussels, 1950; El Al 418, from Munich and Rome, 2000; Alitalia 452, from Rome and Athens, 2215; Olympic Airways 690, from Frankfurt, Zurich and Athens, 2235; Cyprus Air 132, from London, Rome, Istanbul, Ankara and Nicosia, 2350; El Al 426, from Paris and Zurich, 2400; El Al 412, from Vienna and Athens, 0015 (Fri.).

DEPARTURES: El Al 411, to Athens and Vienna, 0700; Swiss-Air 331, to Athens and Zurich, 0700; El Al 425, to Zurich and Paris, 0800; B.E.A. 127, to Athens, Rome and London, 0955; Sabena 538, to Athens, Vienna and Brussels, 1000; T.W.A. 801, to Athens, Rome, Paris and N.Y., 1015; K.L.M. 526, to Rome and Amsterdam, 1215; El Al 207, to Rome, London and N.Y., 1500; Air France 139, to Rome and Paris, 1540.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME

522, 249 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.30, 7.00 and 7.58 a.m., 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m. **English:** 2.00 p.m. **French:** 2.15 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Religious Services (R). 6.37 Exercises. 7.17 Musical Clock (R). 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Popular Concert: Suppe: Overture "Die Irrfahrt ins Glück"; Grieg: Norwegian Dances, opus 35; Schubert-Fekete: "Snow White," Suite; Smetana: "Blanik" from "My Fatherland." 12.00 Women's Programme. 12.15 Housewife's Request Programme. 1.00 Saint-Saens: "Le Carnaval des Animaux" (with verses by Ogden Nash. Hebrew Translation: Avraham Yavin); Narrator: Yitzhak Shimoni; The Kol Yisrael Orchestra, conducted by Gary Bertini. 1.45 Where To Go? 1.50 Light Music. 2.30 Close Down.

4.30 Special Foreign Language Programme. 5.05 Daily Broadcast from the Agricultural Exhibition at Beit Dagon. 6.00 Youth Corner. 6.30 Summer Concert: Rossini: Overture "Le Siege de Corinthe"; Benjamin: Concerto for Harmonica and Orchestra. 7.20 The Nahal Troupe. 7.45 Daily Hebrew. 7.50 Sports. 7.55 Announcement on Kol Yisrael Programmes. 8.00 Noah's Ark. 8.50 Bible Reading: T'hilim Chap. 57 & 58. 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 Fifty-Year Jubilee of Hebrew Gymnasium, Jerusalem. 10.05 Vocal Recital by Nina Lenova (Soprano); at the piano: Ruth Menze; Respighi, Puccini, Chopin, Rachmaninoff, Dargomizsky, Kabalevsky. 10.30 A Glimpse on Israel. 10.35 Songs & Dances at your request. 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

466, 292.7 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.15 Hebrew — French: Lesson. 6.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 6.45 Polish. 7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Talmud. 8.30 Chess Corner. 8.30 Israel Composers: E.W. Sternberg: "Ami"—Song Cycle. Soloist: J. Schocken (Soprano) with the Kol Yisrael Orchestra, conducted by H. Freudenthal. 9.00 Ladino. 9.30 Rumanian. 10.00 News in English.

ARABIC PROGRAMME

467 & 41.67 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30-7.15 a.m., 1.15-2.15 and 5.30-11.15 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (32.3 M.): **Programme to the U.K.:** 9.30 News. 9.40 Tune of the Week. 9.45 Guests Before the Microphone.

ARMY PROGRAMME (48.4, 216, 235 & 236 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.33 Songs. 7.00 News. 7.15 "Bow & Arrow." 7.45 "Worth Listening To." 8.05 Noah's Ark. 8.50 "Intermezzo." 9.00 News. 9.15 "Pleasant Tunes." 9.30 Excerpts from Operas. 10.00 Dance Music. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (19.66, 16.86, 13.92, 13.82 M.): 7.15-7.45 p.m: News, News Talk, British Films.

MUSIC U.S.A. (19 & 25 M.): Voice of America. 9.00-11.00 p.m. Light Music & Jazz.

CYPRUS BROADCASTING SERVICE — English Programme (4.94 & 4.96 M.): News: 7.30 a.m. 2.00, 7.00, 11.00 p.m. 7.45 a.m. Morning Song. 8.00 Theatre Orchestra. 8.30 Wally Stott & his Orchestra. 9.00 Miniature Concert. 9.30 Emergency. 9.45 Piano Playtime. 10.00 Felix King. 10.30 B.B.C. Bandstand. 11.00 The Final Year. 11.15 Light Music. 11.30 Teller of Tales. 12.00 Midday Melodies. 2.15 p.m. The Grey Goose. 2.30 Yours Sincerely with V. Lynn. 6.45 The Lanitis Programme. 7.15 Strange Stories of the Sea. 10.00 Vanished Without Trace. 10.15 Stars of Song. 10.30 Danger Point.

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Visit Hadassah Club, 80 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 32339.
Wizo Club, 91 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 36535. 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

* **Theatre:**—
Habimah: "The Trees Die Standing," 8.30.
Ohel: "Five Finger Exercise," 8.30.

* **Z.O.A. House:**—
"People to People," Stamp Exhibition, 9 a.m.-10 p.m.
Tourist Service, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

* **Zoological Gardens:**—
Open 8 a.m.-6 p.m. daily.

* **Exhibitions:**—
Oil paintings, sketches by Zvi Milstein. Tel Aviv Museum, 10-1; 4-7.
Young Artists' Exhibition and art work by Youth Aliya graduates opens at Beit Hamlin (Artists House), 30 Rehov Weizmann, 10-1, 4-7.
Works by Marcel Janco, Helena Rubinstein Art Pavilion, 10-1, 4-7.

HAIFA

* **Theatre:**—
Habimah: "Look Back in Anger," Armon, 9.

* **Exhibitions:**—
Sculptor Bruno Simon, Rothschild Centre, Central Carmel, open daily (incling Saturdays) 10-1, 4-6.
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Consumer Goods Exhibition: household appliances and kitchenware. Exhibition Centre, Beit Hakranot, Haifa, 10-1, 4-7.
"Artist in the Kibbutz." Paintings by Yitzhak Ben Menahem of Mishmar Haemek. Artists House, 24 UNO Ave., 10-1, 4-7.

* **Tourist Service:**—
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* **Yiddish Comedy:**—
Dajgan and Szumacher. "Fetter, m'kenn Aich," May Cinema.

* **Lecture:**
Golden Age Club: Dr. V. Einhorn, Malben Chief Physician, on "Problems of Ageing." B'nai B'rith Home, 2 Wedgwood Ave., Central Carmel. Guests welcome. 4.30 p.m.

TSEMMAH

* **Theatre:**—
Habimah: Tuvya the Milkman."

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* **Theatre:**—
Cameri: "Rape of the Belt," 8.30.

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* **Theatre:**—
Ohel: "A Streetcar Named Desire," Edison, 9.

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Paintings by Ruth Bamberger and Jora Mach. Artists House, 10-1, 4-6.

* **Bezalel Museum:**—
Bezalel National Museum, 9 to 1, 3.30 to 6. Fridays 9 to 1. Saturdays 10 to 1. Permanent collection of Jewish ceremonial art; French Art of the XXth Century; Drawings and water colours by Anna Ticho; Italian Drawings from the Museum's Collection; Facsimile of Drawings in the Chatsworth Collection; Archaeological pieces: Primitive Sculpture.

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Today's Postbag

The Weather

FORECAST: Fair, dry in hill regions.

	*A	B	C	D
Mt. Cana'an	37	16	30	29
Tiberias	40	19	35	35
Haifa Port	67	18	27	26
Natanya	64	16	27	26
Tel Aviv Kirya	62	15	27	27
Tel Aviv Port	76	17	24	24
Lydda Airport	45	10	30	29
Jerusalem	36	18	29	28
Beersheba	28	14	33	32
Sdom	15	22	36	35
Eilat	16	20	39	36

*A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today

ARRIVALS

Mr. Ian Campbell, Secretary of the Middle East Committee of the British Labour Party, for a week's visit as guest of the Histadrut and Mapai, after visiting Egypt and Lebanon. He is accompanied by his wife.

Mr. Haim Glubinsky, Honorary Secretary of the Israel Olympic Committee, from a meeting of national committees with the International Olympic Committee. (by El Al).

Mrs. Miriam Fineman, Director of the National Women's Division of the State of Israel Bonds, New York City.

A LARGE self-service grocery, vegetable, meat and fish shop will be opened at the Oranim Club on Mt. Carmel by the Hatzorhan Cooperative Society next Sunday.

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CABLES will be delivered to and from El Al Britannia planes starting on Sunday. Plane passengers will be able to cable to telephone and telex subscribers in the three major cities. The fee is 560 pruta per word.

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SOME 250 persons have been interrogated so far in connection with the murder last month of Zerach Flock, a Tel Aviv diamond factory owner, police sources stated yesterday.

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THE NEW magistrates court in Nahariya, which will also serve as a city court, Dr. Hanan Lewinthal presiding, was opened on Wednesday in the former Local Council Building.

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A LIVE grenade, which was found in the "Shikun Mizrahi," in Rishon LeZion on Tuesday, was defused and removed by police sappers.

Rundall Bid Farewell By Anglo-Israel Group

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The outgoing British Ambassador, Sir Francis Rundall, said he was leaving deeper roots in Israel than anywhere else he had served. He was speaking at a farewell dinner given in his honour by the Israel-British Commonwealth Association at the Dan Hotel here on Tuesday.

Sir Francis said that British-Israel friendship should be fostered because "both countries stand for and practise the same values."

The British Ambassador said the Association had helped him very much in his work here.

Mr. Alex Epstein, Secretary of the Association, handed Sir Francis a Jewish National Fund certificate for 50 trees planted in the Queen Elizabeth wood in his and Lady Rundall's honour. Mr. Max Seligman was in the chair.

Among the guests were the Ambassador of France, Canada and Ghana, the Minister of Australia, and Mr. Meir Grossman of the Jewish Agency Executive.

Sir Francis yesterday paid farewell calls in Jerusalem on the Knesset Speaker and the Ministers of Commerce and Industry, Finance, Health and Labour.

'WEAVERS' DUE NEXT MONTH

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Weavers folk songs quartet of "Tzena Tzena" fame is scheduled to appear in Israel on June 13, their impresario has announced. The three men and a girl made their first appearance in 1950 in a small Greenwich Village club in New York. Lately, they include Hebrew songs in most of their performances.

ORMANDY MAKES LAST APPERANCE

TEL AVIV. — The conductor Eugene Ormandy was presented with a silver-bound Bible at his farewell appearance with the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra at the Mann Auditorium here on Wednesday.

The audience gave the conductor a standing ovation of nearly 10 minutes after his rendition of Beethoven's "Eroica Symphony."

In Final Stages of Loan Debate:

Eshkol Tells House: 'At Least 40,000 Immigrants This Year'

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN, Post Knesset Reporter

"I am sure that 40,000 Jews, if not more, will come this year," Minister of Finance Levi Eshkol declared in the Knesset yesterday. He interjected this remark from his seat at the Cabinet table during the debate on the Government's amendment to the compulsory Absorption Loan Law.

The debate, which began on Tuesday, was all but concluded yesterday, and the vote is expected to take place on Monday. This will be followed by a "second round" — much briefer than the first — in which four Opposition parties will present motions to defer collection of the loan until mass immigration is renewed.

Meanwhile, the Coalition Executive met on Tuesday night and again yesterday morning in an effort to iron out internal differences. While final agreement has not yet been reached, a third meeting being set for Monday, indications are that both Ahdut Ha'avoda and Mapam will join Mapai in voting for the bill, while the Progressives will carry out their announced decision to oppose it. In this event, the bill will just about squeeze through.

The bill authorizes the Knesset Finance Committee to decide when and to what extent the compulsory loan shall be collected.

Presenting the Progressive Party's view in the debate, Mr. Izhar Harari asked: If the proceeds from the loan are used to liquidate the ma'barot, what will happen if mass immigration is really renewed? Will another levy then be imposed? He agreed with the Opposition speakers who asserted that since the original budget had been based on 40,000 immigrants, there was no basis now for collecting the loan.

Ma'barot Plan Attacked

Ahdut Ha'avoda's view that the loan should be collected immediately and be used to liquidate the ma'barot was attacked by Mr. Yitzhak Raphael (National Religious), Mr. Nahum Levin (Herut), and Mr. Zalman Susayeff (General Zionist).

They maintained that while everybody is in favour of liquidating the ma'barot, that problem could not be casually solved by diverting the loan proceeds. The ma'bara problem was complex, involving not only housing but the transfer of residents and the provision of employment.

Mr. Levin asked on what Mr. Eshkol now based his figure of 40,000. Wasn't it just a guess? Mr. Eshkol's reply was: "The budget is planned for 40,000 immigrants."

Mr. Aryeh Bahir (Mapai) said that the Opposition motions meant the immediate stoppage of building. If it had only been the Opposition who opposed the loan, the Government could have gone ahead. But since Coalition partners also began to have doubts, it was well that the Government was now proposing a re-examination of the question in the Finance Committee.

Mr. Yerahmiel Assa (Ahdut Ha'avoda) said that by improving the lot of earlier immigrants, we were also contributing to the absorption of immigrants yet to come.

Nir Says:

Knesset to Act On All Major Bills

With two exceptions, all major bills which have passed their first reading and are now in committees are expected to come up for their second and third readings before the term of the Third Knesset expires, Speaker Nahum Nir told parliamentary reporters yesterday.

Discussing the work of the final session of the Third Knesset, Mr. Nir said that the two exceptions are the Inheritance Law and the Execution Law. Both of these are now before the Law Committee, but they are both so complex that it is technically impossible for the Committee to finish them in time.

The only bills which would receive a first reading were those specifically requested by the Government as being urgent. But this would include no basic bills.

Mr. Nir said that the specific date on which the Third Knesset will end its work will be decided only at the end of June. But the date would almost certainly be either August 5 or August 12.

A number of debates which have been on the agenda for some time, following the adoption of motions for the agenda, would be heard during the coming session, Mr. Nir said. The first of these — on the "Jewish consciousness" curriculum in the schools — would take place in two or three weeks.

Mapai United For Knesset Elections

Mapai's election headquarters will present a united leadership, representative of all factions, when the party takes to the hustings for the Knesset elections, it is learned in political circles.

It is expected that Messrs. Ben-Gurion, Josephthal, Lavon, Sharett, Dayan and Almogi are to be elected members of the elections committee by Friday's meeting of the Mapai Secretariat.

The Secretariat is also expected to discuss various legislation intended for the summer term of the present Knesset which began its concluding session on Monday.

MONEY CIRCULATION

Currency in circulation declined by IL6,502,231 during the week ending Tuesday to stand at IL263,948,185, the Bank of Israel announced on Wednesday. Gold reserves increased by IL679, foreign currency reserves by IL109,090 and Government Land Bills by IL14,000; Treasury bills and Government promissory notes declined by IL6,626,000.

Housing Funds Cut In Agency Budget

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A reduction in the Jewish Agency's financial participation in the Immigrant Housing budget was the solution found on Wednesday by the Agency Executive for its budgetary crisis.

A draft budget of IL235,395,000 was approved by the Executive, meeting in Jerusalem, and sent on to the Standing Committee on Budgetary Affairs for presentation to the Zionist General Council, to convene in the Capital next week.

The draft budget calls for nearly no changes in the Agency's activities either in Israel or abroad and is somewhat higher than last year's original figure of IL222m., later cut to IL210m.

The cuts in various departmental budgets proposed by the Agency Treasurer, Dr. Dov Joseph, and which had set off a minor crisis among the Executive members, have for the most part been restored at the expense of the immigrant housing budget. The Agency had undertaken to allocate IL43m. to the Finance Ministry for immigrant housing; this sum was cut to IL39m. in the provisional estimates and has now been cut again to IL33m.

The final draft of the budget provides for the following departmental allocations: Settlement—IL75m. (IL73 m. last year); Immigration and Absorption—IL25 m. plus IL10m. in health and educational services for new immigrants (same); Youth Aliya—IL10m. (IL11m.); Youth and Hechalutz—IL4.06 m. (less than IL4 m.); Economic—IL1.2 m. (IL-1.5 m.).

No Cinemas In J'lem Tonight

No films will be shown in Jerusalem at 7 and 9 p.m. this evening, if the Jerusalem branch of the Union of Cinema workers carries out its threatened warning strike.

The union announced that it was calling the strike to protest the failure by the cinema managements to sign a pension agreement and to carry out regrading agreed upon last year. The owners had been warned that the strike would break out if the agreement was not signed by Wednesday night.

Capital's Coalition Crisis Unsolved

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem still had a municipal coalition crisis on Wednesday after the Histadrut Municipal Department decided to postpone its mediation efforts for another week.

The meeting in the Knesset Building in Jerusalem yesterday under the Chairmanship of Mr. Israel Guri, M.K., heard the Ahdut Ha'avoda complaints of alleged Mapai-abetted irregularities in the Histadrut elections of a fortnight ago.

Ahdut Ha'avoda representatives also announced that they viewed the Department's efforts as mediation only, and not arbitration with decisions binding on both sides.

It was in protest of the alleged irregularities that that party's member of the Council decided to defect from the coalition.

The Department meeting adjourned with no decision, which was postponed until a further meeting next week.

The Progressives are to take a final decision on Friday on whether to remain in the coalition.

Natorei Karta Invited To Inspect Pool

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Rabbi Amram Blau, who last summer led his Natorei Karta followers in illegal demonstrations against mixed bathing in the pool in the German Colony in Jerusalem, has been invited to visit the pool to see for himself that "nothing immoral is going on."

This was reported on Wednesday at a press conference given by Mr. Baruch Deutsch and Mr. Avraham Silverstein, of Kibbutz Shoresh in the Jerusalem Corridor, which owns the pool.

When asked by *The Jerusalem Post* whether he would visit the pool, Rabbi Blau said that as long as boys and girls bathed there together he would not go to "that place of abomination."

He confirmed that he had been approached by a mediator and had been told that the owners of the pool had expressed their willingness to provide separate bathing facilities for men and women, if the Natorei Karta agreed to cover any deficit in the pool's anticipated IL250,000 income this summer. Rabbi Blau said that the extremist sect had no funds for this purpose.

Mr. Deutsch said that he had been approached by a member of Beit Meir, a religious settlement in the Corridor, who had asked permission to mediate between the owners of the pool and Natorei Karta, the ultra-orthodox sect. It was said that Natorei Karta was ready to come to an agreement.

Tnuva Opts to Decentralize Reaffirms Exclusive Rights

Jerusalem Post Labour Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — Tnuva, the cooperative marketing organization, on Wednesday decided to recognize. The reforms, based on the findings of an enquiry committee headed by Mr. H. Gvati, were adopted in the course of a day-long session at the Gil Hall here.

The principal resolutions reaffirmed Tnuva as the sole marketing agency for Histadrut-affiliated settlements; decided on a measure of decentralization, and set up a control commission to study efficiency in Tnuva enterprises.

Under the new system, Tnuva's operations will be under five semi-autonomous departments: dairy, poultry and eggs, vegetables, fruit and miscellaneous farm products. The budgets and policy of the five departments will be subject to the final approval of the central management.

The departments will each be headed by a seven to nine man executive, based on a party key, but "drawn as far as possible from technical staff." The central management, comprising 24 to 36 members, will be half elected by the member-settlements and half permanent executive staff.

It was also decided to press for larger credit facilities from the Goverhment and the Histadrut, rather than depend on "forced" credits from the member-settlements in the form of delayed payment for produce.

Party Splits

During the debate and voting, a clear split emerged between Council members from moshavim and kibbutzim. Party affiliations feil by the wayside and religious moshav members joined Mapai moshavniks to vote for the minority amendment calling for "free choice" in marketing part of their produce through Tnuva.

The members of the Mapai-affiliated Ihud Hakibbutzim joined Kibbutz-Hameuhad and Kibbutz Artzi in defeating, by 29 votes to 21, the moshavim's proposal that settlements be permitted to sell a certain product through Tnuva during a particular period at "favourable marketing conditions," whilst selling other produce through private hands. This suggestion was bitterly opposed by Kibbutz Artzi spokesmen, together with Kibbutz Hameuhad, who even wished to impose sanctions — by the Histadrut as a whole—against those settlements opting out of Tnuva.

Status Quo Upheld

The council accepted the enquiry committee's proposal recommending the preservation of the status quo,whereby sanctions are not taken against defecting settlements.

The veteran General Manager of Tnuva, Mr. N. Verlinsky, who presided, welcomed the committee's recommendations. A centralized marketing agency was necessary so long as this country was in the process of settlement to prevent unfair competition between veteran and new immigrant farmers, he said.

Mr. Gvati, in presenting the committee's findings, noted that the value of agricultural produce handled by Tnuva in the 1948-1958 period had increased from IL10.6m. to IL212m. Apart from this, Tnuva Export's turnover and that of other Tnuva subsidiaries totalled IL36.3m. at the end of 1958.

He went on the summarize some of the committee's specific recommendations for improving marketing. They include: improvement in dairy costing systems; stricter measures to be taken with farmers who send uncleaned eggs to market; building of additional regional egg sorting stations; and adoption of strict measures against farmers who sell poultry outside Tnuva.

Low Citrus Prices Said Fault of Poor Selection

TEL AVIV. — The low prices obtained abroad for Jaffa oranges this season could have been avoided if greater care had been given to the fruit before exporting, Mr. T. Horin, General Manager of Yashin-Hakal, told citrus growers at Beit Lessin on Wednesday.

He disclosed that about 2 m. crates reached foreign markets in a damaged condition which undermined the traditional confidence of customers in Jaffas' high standard.

The 1958/59 crop was bigger than last year's: 14m. cases gross as compared to 11m. in 1957/8 despite the bad weather. Export figures reached 9.5m. crates (8m. in 57/58). The average price obtained per crate was 38—39/- which is 10 per cent less than last year.

Foreign currency obtained through sales of citrus was $2m. higher than last season and reached $52m. He estimated next year's exports at 10m. crates.

The loss of $5m. sustained on the damaged fruit resulted in an average of 3/- less per crate.

INCODE SOLD TO U.S.-SWISS FIRM

LYDDA AIRPORT. — The Incode Meat Packing Company in Jibuti has been sold to a Swiss-American firm, Mr. Z. Dinstein, Controller of Foreign Exchange, stated here on Wednesday, on his return by El Al from the U.S.

Incode was acquired by the Government in 1953 after the original founders, organized by the Herut Party leader, Mr. M. Meridor, had failed to make a go of it in two years.

SENTENCE. — William Blatchford was sentenced by a London Court to three years in prison for a three-penny theft. It was his third offence.

Becker Leaves for ILO Conference in Geneva

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The problems of women workers and employment difficulties throughout the world in periods of economic development will occupy the Governing Body of the International Labour Organization at its meeting that starts on Thursday in Geneva, the head of the Histadrut Trades Union Department, Mr. Aharon Becker has told *The Jerusalem Post*. He left yesterday for Geneva by Air France to attend the meeting, at which he represents the Labour Section.

The Governing Body will decide on the establishment of the International Institute for Social and Labour Studies, he reported. At the same time, it will fix the agenda of the 1961 International Labour Conference.

After the Governing Body's sessions, Mr. Becker will lead the Histadrut delegation to the 43rd conference of the I.L.O.

SUPERSONIC. — Because of the fear that unborn children may be harmed by X-rays, experiments are being carried out in Glasgow in the use of ultra-sonic apparatus for the examination of expectant mothers.

Sharett Apeals For Hebrew Purity

Mr. Moshe Sharett, M.K., famed for his impeccable Hebrew, on Wednesday appealed for greater efforts to defend contemporary Hebrew from "ignorant incursions."

Speaking in his capacity as President of the Israel-America Cultural Foundation at the dedication of the William and Minnie Salzman Building, the new premises of the Hebrew Language Academy on the Hebrew University campus, Mr. Sharett said the Academy's task was both to create the new and preserve the old.

In an address profusely seasoned with quotations which drew smiles from the audience, Prof. N.H. Tur-Sinai, the President of the Academy, who presided, paid homage to past Hebraists from Eliezer Ben Yehuda to those of recent times. Together with other speakers, he spoke warmly of Mr. Salzman and his wife who were present, for their munificent gift and thanked the Minister of Education, the American-Israel Cultural Foundation, Finance Minister Levi Eshkol and the University for their help.

Mr. Salzman, in flowery literary Hebrew, began his remarks by confessing that he had almost despaired of ever seeing the building completed. He argued at some length with a certain professor (whom he did not name) who in a journal which he had read on his way to Israel had sneered at the "plutocratic Jews who come to Israel to get their names on buildings and then go home."

Declaring that Hebrew was the thing closest to his heart, he expressed his and his wife's profound satisfaction with the honour bestowed on them. Mr. Salzman also spoke of the failure of Israel youth in America to make contact with American Jewish youth.

Other speakers were the Minister of Education, the Mayors of Jerusalem and Tel Aviv and the President of the University.

Greetings were received from President Ben-Zvi. He was unable to attend the ceremony as he was resting after his fatiguing day at the Presidential Lag Ba'Omer garden party on Tuesday. Greetings were also received from Chief Rabbi Nissim, and Mr. Sam Rubin, President of the American-Israel Cultural Foundation.

Soviet Diplomat's Wife Quits Embassy in U.K.

LONDON (Reuter). — A Soviet diplomat's wife, reported missing in Britain since Saturday, had a meeting at the Foreign Office on Wednesday morning with two members of the Soviet Embassy staff, a Foreign Office spokesman announced.

The Special Branch (Secret Service) of Scotland Yard was earlier reported investigating the disappearance of the woman; Mrs. Nina Dmitrieva, 35, and her five-year-old daughter. Her husband, Captain Aleksander Dmitriev, 38, is an Assistant Naval Attache at the Soviet Embassy.

A Foreign Office spokesman later said: "We understand that Captain Dmitriev returned to Moscow today from London Airport in a Soviet jet plane." He did not know whether he was expected back in London.

Ex-Natanya Bank Head Suspected of Forgery

PETAH TIKVA. — A former manager of the Natanya branch of the Palestine-British Bank, Haim Gorelick, 66, has been under police detention for the past week on charges of forgery and of diverting bank funds to his unauthorized personal use. The bank's teller, Gorelick's brother-in-law, Mattityahu Weiss, 37, is also being held in connection with the same charges.

The two were arrested last week, but Magistrate A. Graf imposed a news blackout on the case until yesterday, when he extended the detention of the two for five days and permitted publication of certain details in the case.

Gorelick is charged with having withdrawn sums from various accounts in the bank, during the period when he was manager, and having used them to give loans through his privately-owned finance company. He withdrew the funds against forged cheques which Weiss, acting as teller, passed.

It is understood that no funds are missing from the bank as Gorelick returned the money to the accounts when the loans were returned.

It is learned that the Board of Managers of the Bank discovered the withdrawals a year ago and immediately fired Gorelick.

The case was reopened when Bank of Israel examiners uncovered the illegal transactions in the bank's books.

Kibbutz Said Hindering Salomon Bros. Defence

TEL AVIV. — Defence counsel in the Salomon murder case on Wednesday applied for a court order forbidding the Secretariat of kibbutz Givat Brenner to hinder its efforts to collect evidence. The application stresses the right of every citizen charged with a major crime to a free hand in building up his defence.

Zion and Pinhas Salomon are charged with the murder of Zion's wife, Avigail, in the kibbutz on the night of January 6.

In his application to the District Court, the accused's lawyer states that on Tuesday he asked the kibbutz Secretary, Mr. Yitzhak Tuchman, to arrange an appointment to question several members. In Mr. Tuchman's reply, the lawyer was asked to submit particulars of his line of questioning, which in turn would be referred to the kibbutz secretariat for action whether to allow the interviews.

Cables in Brief

SALT. — Three Japanese engineers are due in Accra today to carry out a four-month survey to establish in Ghana a solar (natural evaporation) salt industry and related products.

SHOT. — Soviet railwaymen in Sebastepol received a shock when a metal ball they were using for putting the shot exploded. Moscow radio reported yesterday. The ball turned out to be an artillery shot, a relic of the Crimean War.

EXPLOSION. — Two men were killed and about 10 injured on Wednesday (yesterday) in an explosion in a Copenhagen steel mill thought to have been caused by the presence of a grenade among the scrap iron fed to the furnace.

SIEFF. — Jonathan Sieff, aged 25, son of Mr. Michael Sieff, Managing Director of Marks and Spencer, was on Tuesday married at a civil ceremony in Paris to Nicole Moschietto, 20-year-old former model and daugher of a Monte Carlo restaurateur. Mlle. Moschietto, a Roman Catholic, is taking instruction in the Jewish faith and a second wedding ceremony is planned for a London synagogue.

Royal Standard Open Tour in J'lem Today

The Royal Standard soccer team, of Liege, Belgium, which arrived here Wednesday night, will play the first of its series of games against a re-inforced Jerusalem Hapoel side on the Hapoel pitch in the Capital today — Thursday. Kick-off is scheduled for 4.30 p.m.

At the specific request of the visitors, who are Catholics, the tour will start with a match in the Capital. Standard Liege are slated to go to Haifa to play the local Hapoel on Saturday. The following Wednesday, June 3, they will face an Israel Selected team on the Ramat Gan pitch.

Stolen Jewels Smuggled Abroad

TEL AVIV. — Part of the jewels stolen from the wife of the former Brazilian Ambassador in Ramat Gan last Christmas have been smuggled to France, it is learned here. The police are cabling Interpol for aid in locating the stolen gems.

The jewels were taken to France a month ago by the aunt of one of the suspects in the case, Eli Beton of Ramat Gan.

'Trud' Spearheads Anti-Israel Drive Based on 'Emigres' Letter'

One of the strongest anti-Israel articles to appear in the Soviet press in recent months was given prominence on Tuesday in the Soviet trade union organ "Trud." It was in the form of a letter addressed to President Voroshilov and purportedly signed by 107 former Soviet citizens wishing to return to Russia from Israel.

The signatories' names are not given.

"Trud" introduces the letter with the statement that innocent persons falling victim to Zionist propaganda sell all their possessions and go to Israel. "But those who reach Israel from the Socialist countries find it impossible to survive in the country's capitalist regime. Many of these deceived persons apply to the governments of the Soviet Union and other socialist countries for permission to return."

The letter states that the signatories are persons who arrived in Israel after being "deceived by Zionist propaganda on a Jewish Garden of Eden in Palestine.... Life in Israel has shown us that Israel is an enemy of the interests of Jewish workers, and that Zionism is an ideology of the Jewish bourgeoisie in the service of American, English and French imperialists.

"There is practically no exploitation of the country's natural resources ... and much of the money collected by Zionists all over the world to help immigrants finds its way into the pockets of Zionist and Israel leaders.

"Behind the propaganda camouflage of 'democracy in Israel' rule the ruthless police and *Shin Bet* of Ben-Gurion. Honest working Jews coming from the Soviet Union and other democratic republics are treated as second class citizens and denied responsible jobs.

"The Arab population lives in a ghetto in areas under ruthless military administration ... Persons of non-Jewish nationality are subject to constant insults by the clerical and fascist press.... Constantly before our eyes the example of the Soviet Union, where full equality truly exists.

"Our children are faced by a future of unemployment, lack of opportunity, moral degeneration and the prospect of becoming cannon fodder. *"As to the famous kibbutz, this is the most terrible method of exploitation of the Jewish worker invented by the Jewish bourgeoisie. The kibbutzim are established and maintained financially by the monopolies and all the income of the kibbutz goes into their pockets, the kibbutz members getting only food and clothes for their hard labour."*

The letter concludes with a panegyric to the glories of life in the Soviet Union.

Peruvians Here To Study Rural Growth

LYDDA AIRPORT.—A three-man mission from Peru arrived here by K.L.M. on Thursday for a an eight-day visit to study agricultural methods and organization in moshavim and kibbutzim.

The mission was appointed by the Peruvian Government to examine agrarian reforms in various countries and to draw up recommendations on modern methods of rural development. They have already toured Mexico, Portugal, Spain, Italy and Holland.

5 Jailed in Iraq For 'Plot Against Regime'

BAGHDAD (Reuter). — Two Lebanese, one Jordanian and two Iraqi nationals were sentenced to terms of rigorous imprisonment ranging from five years to six months, by a military court here on Wednesday, according to local press reports.

They were charged with having established an anti-Communist "People's Front" with the object of overthrowing the present regime in Iraq. The non-Iraqis will be deported after serving their sentences.

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31.12.1957	LIABILITIES	Authorized IL.	Issued IL.	Paid IL.	31.12.1957 IL.
	SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES				
	a) SHARES of IL5 each				
50,000	Ordinary Shares (1938)	50,000	50,000	50,000	5,317,632
60,000	"A" Ordinary Shares (1953)	60,000	60,000	60,000	
75,000	"B" Ordinary Shares (1954)	75,000	75,000	75,000	659,732
98,855	"C" Ordinary Shares (1955)	175,000	104,855	104,855	
	"A" and "B" Preference				
67,206	Shares (1938)	105,000	105,000	67,255	36,947
190,000	"C" Preference Shares (1945)	190,000	190,000	190,000	
105,149	"D" Preference Shares (1956)	195,000	195,000	195,000	
646,301		850,000	779,855	742,110	6,369,733
	b) RESERVES, SURPLUS ACCOUNTS AND PROFITS*)				
642,345				759,963	787,899
1,288,446	Total Capital and Reserves			1,502,073	15,631,613
	CURRENT ACCOUNTS, DEPOSITS CREDITORS AND OTHER ACCOUNTS (incl balances of subsidiary companies IL548,345)				2,988,341
14,343,167				16,731,861	
15,631,613				18,234,034	
2,988,341	LIABILITIES FOR DOCUMENTARY CREDITS, ACCEPTANCES GUARANTEES and COLLECTION OF DEBTS (see contra)			1,336,970	
18,619,954				19,571,004	18,619,954

	ASSETS	IL.	IL.
	CASH IN HAND, BALANCES WITH THE BANK OF ISRAEL AND OTHER BANKS AND BALANCES WITH CORRESPONDENTS		6,673,586
	GOVERNMENT AND OTHER SECURITIES, at cost or below, or at nominal value		719,181
	SHARES IN SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES (excluding shares in Real Estate Subsidiary Company) at cost		36,947
	LOANS, BILLS DISCOUNTED, DEBTORS, DEBIT BALANCES AND OTHER ACCOUNTS (incl. balances of subsidiary companies — 24,567)		9,962,659
	PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT AND OTHER ASSETS		
	Shares in Real Estate Subsidiary Company at par or at purchasing cost	271,421	
	Sundry — at cost less depreciation	540,241	811,662
			18,234,034
	DOCUMENTARY CREDITS, ACCEPTANCES GUARANTEES and DEBTS FOR COLLECTION (see contra)		1,336,970
			19,571,004

*) Includes Workers' Compensation Fund managed by the Bank and the workers.

On behalf of the Directors
Jacob Bokstein, Chairman
Shalom Volovelsky, Vice-Chairman
Jacob Strod, Vice-Chairman

Statement of the Directors pursuant to Section 107 (5) of the Companies Ordinance 1929:—
The profits of the Subsidiary Companies are not included in the above Balance Sheet.

AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the above Balance Sheet and the Profit and Loss Account annexed thereto, and have obtained all the information and explanation which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purpose of our audit. In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Bank so far as it appears from our examination thereof.

The said Balance Sheet is in agreement with the books of account and in our opinion, and to the best of our information and according to explanations given to us, the said Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the Bank's affairs as at December 31, 1958.

Tel Aviv, May 14, 1959.

BOJANSKY, STERN & CO.
Certified Accountants — Auditors

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YESTERDAY'S session of the Histadrut Council for Municipal affairs, a body which deals with the activities of and relationships between the Labour parties' representatives in organs of local government, was convened in order to listen to the complaints that have been voiced by the Ahdut Ha'avoda member of the Jerusalem Council, Mr. Avraham Arest, with regard to alleged pressure brought on employees of the Municipality to vote for Mapai. As a result of these accusations, which were rejected by the Mapai Mayor, Mr. Gershon Agron, Mr. Arest withdrew his support from the Coalition, which is now without a majority. The Council heard the complaint and has reserved judgment until next week. It is not unlikely that by then Mr. Arest will agree to consider this investigation sufficient and return to his place in the Coalition.

JERUSALEM COUNCIL CRISIS

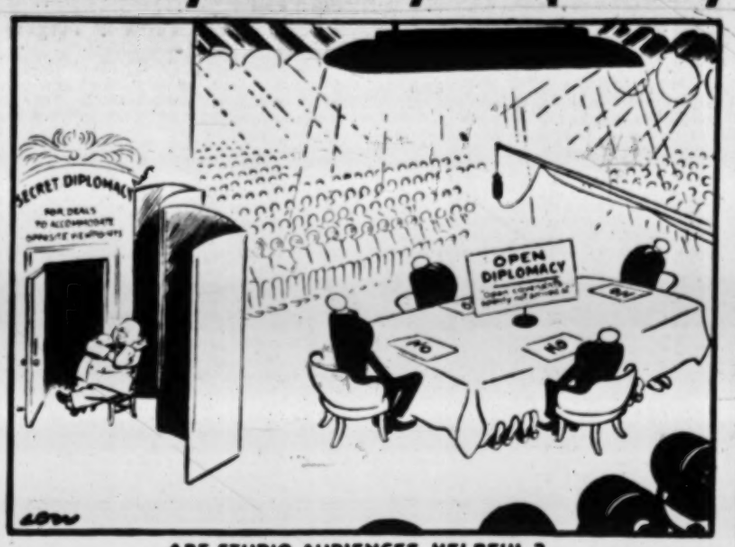
The accusations have been pressed by Mr. Arest since well before the Histadrut elections, and have been stepped up since in a "protest" to the State Controller and circulars to the public. One of the original charges, namely that men pasting up Ahdut Ha'avoda election posters were assaulted by a gang using a vehicle belonging to the Municipal Council, was proved groundless by an inquiry committee which included Mr. Arest himself.

The present complaints are in part nebulous, alleging merely "pressure to vote" and "pressure to vote Mapai" — which surely need not be identical in Ahdut eyes — and therefore the more difficult to disprove. The Mayor, on behalf of Mapai, has shown evidence that printed instructions went out to all employees forbidding improper electioneering, and there is thus no basis for Mr. Arest's claims that Mr. Agron declined to interfere against such electioneering. It is a fact that an Ahdut Ha'avoda member was ejected bodily from a voting booth set up for Municipal employees, but it is also a fact that he had settled down on the box itself and declared that he was there to prevent voting on the premises, to which his party objected.

There are other complaints of a similar nature, and the Histadrut Department is the right body to examine them, to rule whether the election was properly carried out, and who was responsible if they were not.

Mr. Arest, on the other hand, has demanded that the investigation of his complaints shall be carried out by a committee to be appointed by the Council itself. This would contain members of the opposition, that is, members of other than the Labour parties, who were not concerned with the Histadrut election, and who have a very natural interest in inflating disputes between the Labour groups. It is difficult not to interpret this demand as a simple desire to prolong the present situation, in which the Coalition finds itself without a majority on the Council and is waiting for Mr. Arest's return. Coalitions with precarious one-man majorities are bound to find themselves subjected to this form of pressure from time to time, and it is perhaps natural that Mr. Arest should wish to remind all those concerned that his party scored a noticeable advance in the Histadrut elections and that they have strengthened their position. Meanwhile the city needs a stable administration able to continue its work effectively, and has a right to ask that the present situation shall be ended speedily. Mr. Arest will bring little credit to his party if he refuses to submit to Histadrut discipline a dispute that has nothing to do with the carrying out by the Municipal Council of its proper job of looking after the city, and is essentially an internal argument between the Labour parties.

Reds Try New-Style Diplomacy



ARE STUDIO AUDIENCES HELPFUL ?

By BERNARD KAPLAN

GENEVA (NANA). — DEBONAIR is the word for the Russians at this East-West meeting.

All their old lurking suspicions of outsiders and display of inferiority complex toward the West have been banished. On the surface the new-style Russians brandish poise and self-assurance like new-found cold-war weapons.

The fresh Soviet front even extends to clothes. Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, the first Soviet official of top rank to sport a blocked Homburg, is carrying on at this conference the sartorial tradition of Anthony Eden. The baggy, bell-bottom trousers and finger-tip-length coats, by which at earlier international meetings Russians could always be immediately identified, are gone.

The Soviets are confident. Things, they finally feel, are going their way. "We are facing you on equal terms," a correspondent for TASS, the Soviet News Agency, said to this writer, and one felt he had only fairly recently become convinced this was so.

The Russians have dropped much of the tiresome and pointless secretiveness that was their hallmark at past conferences. Their press relations are efficient and thorough, and regarded by many newsmen as the best in town. They may not tell but they do it faster and more often.

The Russians frequently have been first with important news from the plenary sessions or from subsidiary committees. In this connection, the quality of their interpreters and translators also has undergone marked improvement.

Perhaps the biggest change of all is to be seen in Gromyko himself. The original "Walkout King" of the U.N. when he was Soviet spokesman there, so far, his speeches and statements have been reasoned, moderate and almost excessively polite.

"It's quite clear Mr. Gromyko wants to be considered a gentleman among gentlemen," one observer said. "The Russians heard somewhere that manners pay off, and now they're seeing whether it can really be true."

YESTERDAY'S PRESS COMMENT

'Non-Zionism' Criticized

Lamerhav (Ahdut Ha'avoda) takes issue with the retiring President of the Order of B'nai B'rith, who denied that the concentration of the majority of the Jewish people in Israel, the Zionist solution to the world Jewish problem, was an inevitable historic trend and recognized only "Rescue Aliya," for Jews whose life in the Diaspora had been seriously undermined. However, more important than this non-Zionist prognosis are the brotherhood and Jewish solidarity that motivate the activities of B'nai B'rith and guarantee firmer economic, spiritual and cultural relations between Israel, the American Jewish community and the rest of the Diaspora.

The Ha'aretz (non-party) opinion is that today, so long as the free democratic countries maintain their systems and so long as the U.S. considers cultural pluralism an important asset and does not strive to lump all communities into a single mould, it is doubtful if traditional Zionism can be much of an inspiration for American Jews. That is an inescapable conclusion, even though it may be difficult for many of us to adjust ourselves to it.

Omer (Histadrut) writes that the Jewish Agency report on immigration in the past 13 months shows that we must always be ready with far-reaching plans to receive more newcomers.

On the Jerusalem Municipal Council crisis, **Haboker** (General Zionist) remarks that the refusal of the Minister of Interior to hold early elections does not solve the problem. He could have appointed a Special Commission to take over till November but failed to do so, in the hope perhaps that the quarrel would be patched up somehow.

Hatzofe (National Religious) avers that there is no need to disperse the Council and to hold early elections. The task is not to avoid "transitional chaos" but to put an end to the chaos created by the present regime.

On the 11th anniversary of the fall of the Old City of Jerusalem, **Herut** declares that the people of Israel will not rest till the City and the other parts of our country in enemy hands, are restored to us.

Hamodia (World Aguda) protests against the formality of the Hague Court judgment, which enabled it not to go into the merits of the El Al shooting case, and affirm that Bulgaria would never have dared to present such objections if Israel had been a bigger nation.

Ma'ariv wants the Yarkon stench dealt with. There will always be time later to argue who is to blame for it. (See Dosh—Page 2).

I.P.O. Charms Eilatis In Romantic Setting

HALF of Eilat's population seemed to have crowded into its open-air amphitheatre on Monday night to hear the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra play its first concert on the shores of the Red Sea. The plan to give a concert in Eilat had been on the Orchestra's agenda for sometime but it was violinist Isaac Stern who caused it to be effected now. Between a concert in Jerusalem on May 24 and one in Tel Aviv on the 26th there was the free night of May 25. "Let's all go down to Eilat and give them a concert" was the violinist's suggestion. Conductor Eugene Ormandy liked the idea and the orchestra musicians concurred and so, in one of the fastest operations in the Orchestra's history, the affair was organized. The guest artists and the orchestra gave their services free, the Defence Ministry secured air transport and the Eilat Municipality took care of accommodation and ticket disposal.

In the afternoon there was still only a bare stage in the midst of the earth—tiered amphitheatre which is a mile and a half from the centre of the town, and wind-swept and guarded along the top by barbed wired. But by early evening loudspeakers were installed, electric lights sparkled over the stage and a half-shell of rush had been built around the back to throw out the sound.

Isaac Stern, accompanied by his wife, had arrived in the early morning so as to sight-see; conductor Ormandy and wife arrived from Jerusalem by noon and by six-thirty in the evening the 64 members of the orchestra had already taken a swim in the bay and were ready for the performance.

From the stage Mayor Hanoch Nenner greeted guests and audience and then in the expectant hush that followed, Ormandy gave the downbeat and the musicians launched into Beethoven's Leonora No. 3 Overture. The Beethoven Violin Concerto followed. Stern had risked taking down his famous Guarnieri de Jésu violin, wanting to give Eilat only of his best. The work was wildly applauded, followed after a short interval by Brahms' First Symphony. With the beginning of the second movement, the waning moon rose large over the mountains. A cool wind sprang up.

The beauty of the night and the beauty of the sound formed one perfect whole, and the entranced audience drank in the music like wine. At the close of the concert the public gave guest artists and orchestra a tremendous ovation, crowding round the waiting cars when they left the stage, to thank conductor and soloist personally and secure autographs.

Rewarding Effort

The group left immediately for the airport, for a rehearsal was scheduled for the next morning in Tel Aviv. String players examined their instruments to ascertain how they had survived the dry heat, and wind players fingered their parched lips, which had made playing something of a torment, but all agreed the pioneering effort had been well worth while.

As conductor Ormandy and soloist Stern had said, what can be more rewarding than the knowledge that you are playing for listeners who long to hear you and for whom your music brings not only a rare enjoyment but the fulfilment of a deeply-felt need?

S.W.

Ha'aretz Museum Opens Today



The main hall of the Ha'aretz Museum, with the showcases of rare glass dating from the dawn of craftsmanship.

Devoted Collector Of Objets d'Art

THE Ha'aretz Museum which is to be inaugurated today is largely the fruit of the endeavour of an enthusiastic Israel collector and a generous American philanthropist, neither of whom are alive today.

Dr. Walter Moses, whose archaeological collection forms the nucleus of the museum's riches, was graduated from the University of Berlin with a degree in political economy, but the major preoccupation of his life was the encouragement and fostering of the fine arts.



Moses

Active in the education and training of Jewish youth as a young man, during the years following World War One Dr. Moses was in charge of the Jewish Labour Office in Berlin, where he created productive occupations for the Jewish refugees then pouring in from Russia. He founded the Blauweiss Zionist youth movement, which he wanted inspired with Jewish values and idealism and the idea of return to the Jewish homeland. He came to this country in 1926, at 34, founding here the cigarette factory that was later to become Dubek. Elected to the board of the Jewish Manufacturers Association at an early stage, he added an important voice to its deliberations. He was also active in the Hagana.

Dr. Moses, who died in 1955, devoted the last 12 years of his life to the collecting of objets d'art, antiquities and scientific literature. He saw in this enterprise a means to the cultivation of a sense of beauty, as well as a contribution to the knowledge of the history of the land of the Bible and its relation to surrounding cultures. In 1953 he established the Ha'aretz Museum Foundation. Later this institution came to an agreement with the Tel Aviv municipality whereby the latter provided a site for the museum and undertook to maintain it. The museum is supervised by a Board of Trustees.

Art Patron Of Jewish Past

The Museum itself was largely financed by the late Louis Rabinowitz, the noted New York industrialist, philanthropist and art patron who died two years ago at 70.

Born in Lithuania, Rabinowitz came to the U.S. at the age of 14. Himself a self-educated man, he was especially interested in the Jewish past, research into which he encouraged by numerous grants. The foundations he established include the one for Judaica Research at Yale University, which has published a number of editions of ancient and medieval Jewish classics, including the Maimonides Code in English; another for Professor Nelson Glueck's archaeological surveys of the Negev over a period of several years; and another, to the Hebrew University, for the exploration of ancient synagogues in the Middle East by Professor Sukenik.



Rabinowitz

Incidentally, it was Rabinowitz who made possible the purchase of the first Dead Sea Scrolls. Himself an ardent art and book collector, he owned the only Gutenberg Bible found in a private collection, and donated several rare volumes and manuscripts to public institutions and a number of paintings to Israel museums.

A vice-president of the American Jewish Historical Society and the American-Israel Society, Rabinowitz was one of the closest associates of the American-Israel Cultural Foundation, which is helping put up the Museum. He was also on the Board of Directors of the Council for Middle Eastern Affairs in New York.

(A review of the Museum collection will appear tomorrow)

HAIFA ART NOTES

Doctor-Artists Show Works

IT was a good idea of the Israel Medical Association to organize an art show in connection with its 20th Congress at the Technion, because doctors everywhere participate regularly in amateur exhibitions.

Other Haifa amateur shows have already acquainted us with Pagi's wood carvings and Sternberg's beaten metal relief among those represented in this one; a third, Imre, whose heavily lighted and shaded drawings of streets and buildings are quite powerful, once held a one-man show here.

Since the work often goes back many years, e.g. Regolsky's detailed watercolours of flowers, it is more indicative of rationally employed leisure. Itzkovitch foresees this point by entitling his photographs "From the Past." At the same time, his composition, in the serenity of Nebi Musa against the mountains, a worried Beduin leaning against a reed fence or two nuns dozing in a train, brings out the factor of accepted tranquillity which differentiates the talented amateur from the professional's order out of hurly-burly.

Compare the paintings of Levin and Doron. The former's nervous upward thrust in green is the only abstract displayed. It is striking but its logical conclusion would require a professional — and more typical of the higher amateurism is Doron's patterned landscape of yellow fields running to the hills, equally ambitious and valid.

Feretz's portraits and Loeb's buildings are literal statements but, on the whole, most exhibitors present at least one piece which extracts a little more from the subject — Blumenthal's landscape (her starved-looking figure has feeling), Lefman's accented tree against a wall, a well placed small oil of a tree by Mrs. Zimmerman, Karlebach's portrait drawings which get behind the sitter with some intimacy, a well-placed small oil of a lake (his second landscape is downright factual).

Finally the ceramics. Mrs. Itzkovitch, whose two oils include a satisfactory "Mother and Child," displays terracotta Tanagra type figurines of animals and fishes, glazed in bright colours. Mrs. Herzberg paints vases in lines coordinated with the contours; one with a black background carries neat and more complicated forms and counter-forms in yellow and red.

KEEPING POSTED

AS we came away from the Airport on Tuesday afternoon we chanced to give a lift as far as Lydda Town to three girls in blue skirts an embroidered blouses, all around 11 years old. At the level crossing we heard the fatal tinkle of the automatic barrier, and the bars came down just in front of us. The three little girls burst into fits of delighted giggles and whisperings. A bus pulled up opposite, with another behind it; then a couple of cars and a truck, and another bus. A queue was piling up behind us, too, but there was no sign of a train. We waited a while and watched a bus driver get out to look up and down



the track, and report there was nothing in sight. The three neat little girls could no longer contain themselves. "It's some boys in our class," they said. "They've discovered whatever it is the train does to the rails to make the barrier work, and when they see a nice lot of cars on the road they set the thing off and everybody has to stop." We asked whether, after a suitable interval, the boys also raised the barrier again and allowed the traffic to go on and people to catch their planes but apparently that is a more difficult job and has to be done in a different place. After that we threaded our way through the barrier, but for all we know the buses are still there.

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DR. Immanuel Olsvanger, a veteran expert on folklore, wishes to set at peace the mind of "Barbara Major," who wrote a letter to this paper to say she wanted to know why the Israel Army marched to the tune of "Onward Christian Soldiers" on Independence Day. Dr. Olsvanger thinks that those responsible were probably not familiar with that most famous and most rousing of hymns, and had heard the tune only as a labour movement song called "Onward Friends of Freedom." It seems there are many tunes that serve such double purposes. Another Labour hymn "Let scoffers laugh and traitors sneer, we'll keep the red flag flying here" (a text which sounds a little passé now) is sung to the tune of the well-known German Christmas carol "Oh Tannenbaum, oh Tannenbaum" (The Firtree). The anthem of staunchly republican Switzerland — the text of which is quite different in the three official languages of that country — has borrowed the melody of "God Save the King," while that of "Hatikva" itself is taken from a Balkan folk-song idyll. What is more, it was always quite common for a hazan in Eastern European communities to adapt operatic melodies for cantoral music. Dr. Olsvanger vividly remembers a cantor in his native town in Poland used to lead one of the prayers to the tune of the Toreador's song from Carmen.

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A FRIEND in Tel Aviv reports that the kerosene cart drawn by a venerable horse that had supplied their street for several decades has been replaced by a smart red self-propelled tank wagon. The driver-vendor till uses the old bell because the customers are used to it, and the vehicle moves almost as slowly as the card used to do. She says that one morning she heard the driver complain to another customer that he couldn't get used to the truck. "Not a soul to speak to . . . no horse in front of you, nothing . . . I used to say 'hoisa' and he moved off . . . and if he didn't, I had an argument with him. Now I do it all myself. No arguments any more. I just feel lonely, you know."

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THE population of Beersheba is now said to be about 50,000. When the Mayor, Mr. David Touviyahu, was asked how he had arrived at



the figure as there had been no official census, he said that on the previous day the Municipal Health Inspectors had checked and counted the refuse bins in the town. They had found exactly 9,925 bins in use in private dwellings, which presumably meant 9,925 families. They figured that the average number of persons in a family was four. That made 40,000 residents, didn't it?

Today's contributors include S.S., Tel Aviv, and H.B., Beersheba.

Readers' Letters

HOTEL PRICES

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In her article "Hotel Prices — Two Sides to the Bill" (your May 22 issue), Miss Gerda Luft writes: — "according to the Press, more than 60 tourists were forced to leave the country on Independence Eve, because no room could be found for them in Tel Aviv, but at the same time good hotel rooms stood empty in Natanya, half an hour's drive away."

The group concerned, 68 members of the Sons of Israel of the U.S.A., completed their scheduled tour of the country to their satisfaction on Independence Eve. Several members of the group expressed the desire to prolong their stay by a few days. This was done, and no difficulty whatsoever was experienced in securing accommodation for them.

Yours etc.,
IVOR H. NORMAN,
Public Relations Department
Gov't Tourist Corporation.
Jerusalem, May 24.

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